

### **Thursday**

On our BC Baptist Association (NAB) Prayer Calendar, we remember Dan Heringer, Interim Executive Director of the NAB Conference and the NAB's search for a new Executive Director/Chief Executive Officer.

### **Friday**

We lift up all our leaders and staff. May they know the presence, enabling and direction of the Holy Spirit during this challenging time.

### **Saturday**

We pray for our sick, shut-ins and bereaved, and for all who care for them. We especially remember the following members of the Ebenezer community: Agnes Becker, Alma Maglio, Elsie Baum, Russ and Rita Crossley, Bekele Gebreab, John & Frieda Hait, Lavina Hait, Ileen Konnert, Irene Maas, Ann Ramsden, Diana Reichert, Jose and Elena Ronsano, Rick Townsend, and Pearl Weiss. May they find healing and wholeness, comfort and peace, in Christ.

If you would like prayer for any person or reason, please contact Sharon Iseli (604-244-1636), Freda Ross (604-326-5123), or the church office. We can pray for folks during the Pastoral Prayer and/or list them in the Sunday bulletin, as well as through the Prayer Chain.

### **CHURCH LEADERSHIP TEAM**

#### **PASTORAL STAFF**

##### **Senior Pastor, Dr. John Oakes**

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(Pastor John is available for pastoral counselling and visitation by appointment. His weekly days off are Monday and Tuesday.)

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# EBC Update

*Winning and building passionate,  
life-long followers of Jesus Christ*

**Sunday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020**



**10:30 a.m. Communion Celebration**

**Sermon: Dr. John Oakes**

**“The Gift of Thanksgiving”  
(Mark 12: 41–44)**

**Music Director: Grant Gwynn**

**Soloist: Ezra Secaluya**

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## WELCOME TO TODAY'S SERVICE!

Happy Thanksgiving! We warmly welcome you to worship here at Ebenezer. We are delighted to see you. Because of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, we encourage you to wear your mask, to observe social distancing, and not to sing out loud. May God bless you richly today and every other day!

## SERVICE ORDER

**Call to Worship and Prayer**

**Opening Hymn: *Now Thank We All Our God***

**Songs of Praise**

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Reading: Mark 12:41–44**

**Guitar Solo: *It Is Well with My Soul* (played by Ezra Secaluya)**

**Message: "The Gift of Thanksgiving" (Dr. John Oakes)**

**Song of Response**

**Communion**

**Announcements**

**Closing Hymn: *For the Beauty of the Earth***

**Benediction**

## NEXT SUNDAY

**Worship at 10:30 a.m.**—Dr. John Oakes will continue our sermon series on the Gospel of Mark, preaching on "The Parable of the Tenants" (Mark 12:1–12).

## MID-WEEK PROGRAMMES

Bible Studies The Friday **evening Bible Study with Pastor John continues this week with Psalm 8 on Zoom at 7:00 p.m.** Go to <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8517044556> and enter Meeting ID: 851 704 4556. You can also just call in by phone on 778-907-2071. **All welcome!**

Challengers (55+) will meet **this Wednesday, October 14, in the Lower Auditorium. Rev. Tony Tremblett will be speaking.** Please bring your own lunch.

Choir practices are **on extended hold** due to COVID-19.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Registration for Sunday Services

In order **to register for Sunday services, please continue to contact the church office by phone** (604-324-7674) **or by email** ([office@rockofhelp.com](mailto:office@rockofhelp.com)) **anytime between 9:00 a.m. Wednesday and noon on Saturday of the previous week.** Names and contact details are required for all who attend in order to meet B.C. health guidelines.

### YouTube Services and Subscriptions

**Videos of our Sunday services are available online.** After editing, they are posted on our YouTube channel, website, and Facebook page on **Monday.** An **audio file of the sermon will be online today. Please subscribe to our YouTube channel.** To do so, you simply have to go to <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1yNmg3MFZn6OOLslhfejA> and click "subscribe." There is no charge or commitment involved at all.

### Youth and Young Adults

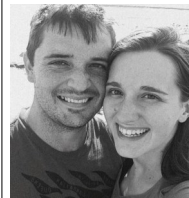
**Future plans include a hike.** Details TBA. **The date of the next Saturday evening Zoom Bible study and games evening for youth and young adults will be communicated early next week. Please contact Pastor John** for more info **and/or watch this space.**

### Baptism and Church Membership Classes

If you are **interested in baptism or church membership** at Ebenezer, please **contact Pastor John or one of the other Elders.**

## PRAYER AND PRAISE

### Monday



Among our supported missionaries, we remember Ebenezer's own **Julia [Lof] and Luke Ries** and especially **Julia's ministry with YWAM in Durban, South Africa.** We ask God to strengthen, uphold and protect them during these challenging times and to prosper Julia's service through worship, photography, videography, and YWAM programmes.

### Tuesday

We lift up our neighbourhood and all who live and work in South Vancouver. We thank God for the opportunities we have to serve and to reach out to them and we ask God's help and guidance to do so.

### Wednesday

We give thanks for our return to on-site worship and we pray for all those unable to attend for health or other reasons.